

and heartbreaking situation in Israel, the kidnapping of three teenage boys—Gilad Shaar; Eyal Yifrach; and Naftali Frenkel, who is a dual Israeli-American citizen.

They were last seen near the West Bank city of Hebron, and it is strongly believed that Hamas is responsible for their abduction. My prayers go out to their families and for their safe return.

Secretary Kerry has called this a despicable act of terrorism and has offered America's full support. We must stand behind Israel's efforts to bring them home and hold accountable those involved.

However, this act of terrorism further demonstrates why America should not be providing foreign aid for the unity government between Hamas and Fatah. Secretary Kerry reiterated America's position that Hamas is a terrorist organization.

It is clear American tax dollars are not being used to promote peace. It is time to stop funding terrorism aimed at one of America's closest allies.

CONGRATULATING SAN ANTONIO SPURS ON NBA CHAMPIONSHIP

(Mr. SMITH of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, congratulations to the San Antonio Spurs on winning the 2014 NBA championship over the Miami Heat. This is the fifth NBA championship for the Spurs under Coach Greg Popovich. Coach Popovich was also named this season's NBA Coach of the Year.

The entire Spurs team, led by captains Tim Duncan and Tony Parker, played with determination to bring the championship trophy back to San Antonio. The Spurs also clinched the best record in the NBA this season with 26 wins and 20 losses.

Also, congratulations to Kawhi Leonard, who was named the NBA Finals Most Valuable Player. Leonard averaged over 17 points and six rebounds in the championship series, with three consecutive 20-point performances.

Leonard also had the help of the Spurs "Big 3," made up of Tim Duncan, Manu Ginobili, and Tony Parker. The "Big 3" now has the most playoff wins of any trio in NBA history.

A well-deserved congratulations to the Spurs for bringing the trophy back to the Alamo City. As we say in San Antonio: Go, Spurs, go.

AMERICA DOES NOT HAVE SOLUTION FOR EVERY WORLD PROBLEM

(Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DUNCAN of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, President Kennedy said in a famous speech at the University of Washington in 1961:

With only 6 percent of the world's population, we cannot correct every adversity or right every wrong and that, therefore, there cannot be an American solution for every problem.

Today, we are less than 4 percent of the world's population, and we have a national debt of a mind-boggling \$17.6 trillion. We simply cannot keep sending megabillions to corrupt governments all over the world.

We should have trade and tourism with other countries, cultural and educational exchanges, and, of course, diplomatic relations; but the people in Iraq and Afghanistan are going to have to solve most of their problems themselves. We cannot do everything for them and still do what we should do for our own country and own people.

Let me repeat those words of President Kennedy:

There cannot be an American solution for every world problem.

This is not isolationism, Mr. Speaker. It is common sense.

CONGRATULATING DR. ED HIGHTOWER ON HIS UPCOMING RETIREMENT

(Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize and congratulate Dr. Ed Hightower on his upcoming retirement.

Many of you may know Dr. Hightower from his time as a college basketball referee, working 12 NCAA Final Fours and countless games for the Big Ten and the Big East. He was also named the Men's College Basketball Official of the Year in 1992, and he was inducted into the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1998.

Off the court, Dr. Hightower is a true community leader and a public servant. Ed Hightower has been an educator for 40 years, serving as a teacher, a principal, and an administrator. He has received three degrees from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and a doctorate from St. Louis University.

In 1996, he was hired as the first African American superintendent in Edwardsville school district history, a job that he is wrapping up at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

On Dr. Hightower's watch, the Edwardsville school district saw incredible growth, doubling in population, requiring a new high school, a second middle school and other buildings, and weathered the same economic crisis that challenged all local school districts.

Thank you for your decades of service to our students, Dr. Hightower. Thank you for your leadership and your ability to always put the education of our children first in all of your decisions.

Enjoy your final year as superintendent, and good luck in your retirement.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on motions to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Record votes on postponed questions will be taken later.

OFFICER TOMMY DECKER MEMORIAL POST OFFICE

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 43) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Red River Avenue North in Cold Spring, Minnesota, as the "Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office".

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 43

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. OFFICER TOMMY DECKER MEMORIAL POST OFFICE.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 14 Red River Avenue North in Cold Spring, Minnesota, shall be known and designated as the "Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office".

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MEADOWS) and the gentleman from Vermont (Mr. WELCH) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill under consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from North Carolina?

There was no objection.

Mr. MEADOWS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

I rise today to urge my colleagues to support H.R. 43, introduced by the gentlewoman from Minnesota (Mrs. BACHMANN), to designate the postal facility located at 14 Red River Avenue North in Cold Spring, Minnesota, as the Officer Tommy Decker Memorial Post Office.

Officer Decker served for 6 years with distinction as a member of the Cold Spring, Minnesota, police department.

On November 29, 2012, at just 31 years of age, he was tragically killed while trying to prevent a suicide.

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He is survived by his wife, Alicia, and their children.